

Problem sheet 3

Due date: May 12th, 2026.

Problem 7 (Hom sheaves) Let X be a ringed space and let \mathcal{F} be an \mathcal{O}_X -module of finite presentation, i.e., every point $x \in X$ has an open neighborhood U such that there exist $m, n \geq 0$ and an exact sequence $\mathcal{O}_U^m \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_U^n \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0$ of \mathcal{O}_U -modules. Show that for all $x \in X$ and for each \mathcal{O}_X -module \mathcal{G} , the canonical homomorphism of $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$ -modules $\mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})_x \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_{X,x}}(\mathcal{F}_x, \mathcal{G}_x)$ is bijective.

Hint. Use the exactness properties of passing to stalks, of the Hom functor and $\mathcal{H}om$ sheaf and the five lemma to reduce the general case to the case of a free \mathcal{O}_X -module.

Problem 8

 (Blow-up)

Let k be a field. We consider the affine plane \mathbb{A}_k^2 with coordinates S, T , i.e., $\mathbb{A}_k^2 = \text{Spec } A$ with $A = k[S, T]$, and the projective line \mathbb{P}_k^1 with homogeneous coordinates X, Y over k .

Let $Z = V_+(SX - TY)$ be the closed subscheme of $\mathbb{A}_k^2 \times_{\text{Spec } k} \mathbb{P}_k^1 = \mathbb{P}_A^1$ defined by the linear homogeneous polynomial $SX - TY \in A[X, Y]$. Let $f: Z \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^2$ be the restriction of the projection $\mathbb{P}_A^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^2$ to Z . Let $U = \mathbb{A}_k^2 \setminus \{0\}$, an open subscheme of \mathbb{A}_k^2 .

- 1) Prove that the restriction $f^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U$ of f is an isomorphism.
- 2) Show that the fiber of f over $0 \in \mathbb{A}_k^2$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{P}_k^1 .

Problem 9 (Finite morphisms) Recall that a ring homomorphism $A \rightarrow B$ is called *finite* if B is finitely generated as an A -module.

Definition 0.1. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a morphism of schemes. We say that f is *finite* if for any affine open $\text{Spec}(A) = V \subseteq Y$ the inverse image $f^{-1}(V)$ is affine, say $f^{-1}(V) \cong \text{Spec}(B)$ and the corresponding ring homomorphism $A \rightarrow B$ is finite.

- 1) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a morphism of schemes. Show that the following are equivalent:
 - i) f is finite.
 - ii) There exists an affine open covering $Y = \bigcup V_i$ such that each $f^{-1}(V_i)$ is affine and the ring homomorphism $\mathcal{O}_Y(V_i) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(f^{-1}(V_i))$ is finite.

Hint: You may use without proof that ii) implies that for every affine open $V \subseteq Y$, the inverse image $f^{-1}(V)$ is affine.

2) Show that finite morphisms are proper.

Hint: Use *going up*, see <https://math.ug/a2-ss23/sec-going-up.html>, specifically Korollar 4.18 (in German); or [Atiyah-MacDonald, Introduction to Commutative Algebra] Ch. 5, Exercise 1; or <https://stacks.math.columbia.edu/tag/00HU>.